## Senate Study Bill 1015 - Introduced

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BY (PROPOSED BOARD OF MEDICINE BILL)

## A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the administration of medical licenses by
- 2 the board of medicine.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 148.8A Relinquishment of a license
- 2 failure to renew or reinstate.
- 3 A person's license to practice medicine and surgery or
- 4 osteopathic medicine and surgery shall be deemed relinquished
- 5 if the person fails to apply for renewal or reinstatement of
- 6 the license within five years after its expiration. A license
- 7 shall not be reinstated, reissued, or restored once it is
- 8 relinquished. The person may apply for a new license pursuant
- 9 to section 148.3 and applicable administrative rules.
- 10 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 148.11A Administrative medicine
- 11 license.
- 12 l. As used in this section:
- 13 a. "Administrative medicine" means administration or
- 14 management utilizing the medical and clinical knowledge, skill,
- 15 and judgment of a person licensed to practice medicine and
- 16 surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery and capable of
- 17 affecting the health and safety of the public or any person.
- 18 b. "Administrative medicine license" means a license issued
- 19 by the board pursuant to this section.
- 20 2. An application for an administrative medicine license
- 21 shall be made to the board. An applicant for an administrative
- 22 medicine license shall meet all of the requirements established
- 23 in section 148.3 and any additional requirements established by
- 24 the board by rule. The board shall also adopt rules governing
- 25 the initial issuance and renewal of administrative medicine
- 26 licenses and establishing fees therefor. All license and
- 27 renewal fees shall be paid to the board.
- 28 3. a. A physician with an administrative medicine license
- 29 may do any of the following:
- 30 (1) Advise public or private organizations on health care
- 31 matters.
- 32 (2) Authorize or deny payments for care.
- 33 (3) Organize or direct research programs.
- 34 (4) Review care provided for quality.
- 35 (5) Perform other similar duties that do not require direct

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1 patient care.

- 2 b. An administrative medicine license does not convey the
- 3 authority to do any of the following, unless the person is
- 4 otherwise licensed to perform such duties:
- 5 (1) Practice clinical medicine.
- 6 (2) Examine, care for, or treat patients.
- 7 (3) Prescribe medications including controlled substances.
- 8 (4) Delegate medical acts or prescriptive authority to 9 others.
- 10 4. A person issued an administrative medicine license is
- 11 subject to the same laws and rules governing the practice of
- 12 medicine as a person issued a license to practice medicine and
- 13 surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery under this chapter
- 14 unless otherwise provided by the board by rule.
- 15 EXPLANATION
- 16 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
- 17 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 18 This bill establishes a process by which a physician's
- 19 license shall be deemed relinquished. Under the bill, a
- 20 physician's license is deemed relinquished when the physician
- 21 fails or declines to apply for renewal or reinstatement of the
- 22 license for five years. Once a license is relinquished, it
- 23 cannot be renewed, reinstated, or restored. A physician whose
- 24 license is relinquished may apply to the board of medicine for
- 25 a new license.
- 26 The bill creates an "administrative medicine license" for
- 27 physicians who engage in nonclinical practice. Under the
- 28 bill, a physician with an administrative medicine license
- 29 may advise organizations, authorize or deny payments for
- 30 care, organize and direct research programs, review care, and
- 31 perform other duties not requiring direct patient care. An
- 32 administrative medicine license does not allow a physician to
- 33 practice clinical medicine, treat patients, prescribe drugs or
- 34 controlled substances, or delegate authority unless otherwise
- 35 licensed to do so.

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- 1 The bill requires that applicants to the board of medicine
- 2 seeking an administrative medicine license meet requirements
- 3 established for those seeking to practice medicine under Code
- 4 section 148.3 and any other requirements established by the
- 5 board by rule. Physicians with an administrative medicine
- 6 license are subject to the same laws and rules applicable to
- 7 physicians holding a permanent Iowa medical license.